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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 68

Series of 2020

A DECLARATION AND ORDER TO IMPLEMENT STRICT SOCIAL DISTANCING, CURFEW, CHECKPOINT AND PARTIAL LOCKDOWN IN ROSARIO AND SAN ANTONIO CHECKPOINT OF THE CITY OF TANDAG, SURIGAO DEL SUR

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued Proclamation No. 922 placing the entire Philippines under a State of Public Health Emergency;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health has raised the Alert Level for the COVID-19 to Alert Level 4 Code Red Sub-Level 2, which means that they have confirmed a sustained human-to-human community transmission and the source of infection can no longer be identified;

WHEREAS, to date, there are already one hundred forty (140) confirmed cases and eleven (11) mortalities in the country;

WHEREAS, public hospitals are incapable to handle a sudden surge of COVID-19 cases, and there is limited number of testing kits which take a long time to be available;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for the city government of Tandag implement aggressive measures and be proactive in dealing with the impending spread of COVID-19 in the city;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ROXANNE C. PIMENTEL, City Mayor, by the virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare and order the implementation of curfew and partial lockdown in Rosario and San Antonio checkpoint of the city of Tandag, Surigao del Sur.

Section 1. Strict Social Distancing.

a. Persons Under Monitoring (PUM).

- i. Classification. In view of DOH Memorandum No. 2020-0090 on the interim guidelines issued by the Department of Health on public home quarantine, the following persons shall be considered Persons Under Monitoring (PUM):
 - Persons who have a history of travel to foreign countries with known confirmed case of COVID-19, regardless of their nationality, race and age;
 - Persons who have a history of travel to cities, municipalities or places within the Philippines with known confirmed case of COVID-19, regardless of their nationality, race and age; and,
 - 3. Persons who have history of exposure who are asymptomatic, which includes (a) those providing direct care for COVID-19 patient; (b) Working together or staying in the same close environment of a COVID-19 patient; (c) travelling together with COVID-19 patient in any kind of conveyance; (d) living in the same household as a COVID-19 patient within a 14-day period;



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- ii. Mandatory Home Quarantine. In view of DOH Memorandum No. 2020-0090 on the interim guidelines issued by the Department of Health on public home quarantine, the PUM shall undergo a monitored home quarantine, which means that PUMs shall:
 - Stay at home, and not leave their homes where they are quarantined "until they have been certified by the local health official to have finished the 14day requirement for quarantine procedures".

Provided that, they are prohibited to hold any gatherings, parties or similar social activities within their homes where they are quarantined;

Provided further that, pursuant to Section 4.2.2.1.6 of DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-018, the Philippine National Police are directed to effect compulsory home confinement of persons arriving from a coronavirus-affected country and/or any place within the Philippines with known confirmed case of COVID-19, regardless of their nationality, race and age, who violate home confinement for the purpose of completing the 14-day prescribed period.

- Maintain a distance of at least one (1) meter from the family members or any other persons, and must sleep in a separate bed (social distancing);
- Not share eating utensils, dishes, meals and drinks with family members or any other persons; and,
- 4. Monitor their temperature twice a day.
- b. Limitation of Operation of Business Establishments. The business operation of all establishments offering food, drinks and/or alcoholic beverages, videoke bars, disco bars, pubs, resorts and other similar establishments is hereby LIMITED to SALE OF GOODS for the duration of the Public Health Emergency.

Provided that, any and all gatherings and/or get-togethers of people within the premises of their establishments shall be strictly prohibited.

Any establishment mentioned and referred to above found violating this Order shall be ordered to close down, and their business permits revoked. For this purpose, the Philippine National Police is hereby directed to effect immediate closure and the Business Permits and Licensing Division to effect the revocation of business permits upon approval by the City Mayor.

c. Additional Guidelines for Schools.

i. Suspension of Classes in All Levels and Any and All School Activities. In view of the upgrading of the COVID-19 Alert Level to Alert Level 4 Code Red Sub-Level 2, and considering the rapid rate of transmission, classes in all levels, and any and all school activities are SUSPENDED effective March 18, 2020, Wednesday, until further notice:

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Provided that, March 16 and 17 shall be used ONLY for the conduct of final examinations;

Provided further that, if final examinations have already been conducted, the above-mentioned suspension will take effect on Monday, March 16, 2020;

d. Additional Guidelines for the General Public.

- i. All restaurants, hotels, resorts and other event centers must postpone scheduled events until further notice, or otherwise reschedule or rebook the same;
- ii. Everyone is advised to stay at home and refrain from going to public places;
- iii. Everyone is discouraged to engage in non-essential activities and/or movements. Non-essential activities and/or movements as used in this Order shall mean, "all activities and/or movements which are:
 - (1) not indispensable, important, urgent or necessary; and,
 - (2) can be postponed to another date, such as loitering around, or hanging out in public places.
- iv. Information and Updates regarding COVID-19. For more information and updates regarding COVID-19, there is hereby established:
 - 1. COVID-19 Hotline: (0951) 461 5210 and (086) 211 5398;
 - 2. COVID-19 Info at Source at www.facebook.com/CityGovernmentofTandag

The city government of Tandag reiterates its call for the public to cooperate and comply with all the health advisories and to refrain from posting materials, pictures, videos and links online from unreliable sources (fake news) so as not to add further confusion and panic.

Section 2. Curfew. A daily curfew shall be implemented in the city of Tandag from 8:00pm to 5:00am starting on March 18, 2020 until further notice.

Exempted from the curfew are the following:

- 1. Health Workers:
- 2. Authorized Government Officials;
- 3. Those working in businesses with a work schedule within the curfew hours;
- 4. Those traveling for medical or humanitarian reasons;
- 5. Persons providing basic services and public utilities;
- 6. Persons delivering food and medicine; and,
- 7. Essential skeletal workforce of the City Government of Tandag.

Minors shall not be allowed to leave their residences unless for medical emergencies or humanitarian reasons.

Section 3. Checkpoints. Checkpoints and/or Border Control Points (BCPs) shall be established in Brgys. San Antonio and Rosario as the main points of entry to Tandag City, and shall operate from 5:00am to 7:00pm starting on March 18, 2020. It shall be manned by



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members of the Philippine National Police (PNP), members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) and Barangay Health Workers (BHW) of the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERTS).

a. All persons entering Tandag City shall completely fill up the Health Declaration (HD) Forms and submit these to the BHW at the checkpoint or BCP before they will be allowed to enter;

b. To ease traffic congestion, all public transport operators are strongly encouraged to distribute the Health Declaration (HD) Forms during the boarding process.

Section 4. Partial Lockdown. All public and private vehicles coming from the direction of the municipality of Tago and from the direction of the municipality of Cortes are prohibited from entering Tandag City from 7:00pm - 5:00am starting on March 18, 2020 until further notice.

Section 5. Repealing Clause. All orders, memoranda, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 6. Separability Clause. If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the reminder of this Executive Order not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 7. Effectivity Clause. This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this ______ day of March, 2020 at Tandag City, Surigao del Sur, Philippines.

ROXANNIC. PIMENTEL